DIZ area, for allotment of their quarters to their wards are pending consideration with the Minister oj Urban Development; *

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons f°r which they are not being disposed of; and

(c) by whe$_n$ unauthorised occupation of quarters, after the retirement of Government employees, would be vacated and the quarters would be allotted to the persons who are waiting for their turn for quite a Jong time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBT.R SINGH): (a) to (c) A request on compassionate ground for reguIarisatio$_n$ of a Type 'C quarter i$_n$ Sector*-'D', DIZ area in the name of a ward has been received and the" same i$_s$ under consideration.

Retrun of labour force in Kerala from the Gulf

1769. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI; Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether any 6urve$_v$ of th^e ,-labour force returning from Gulf was conducted in Kerala;

(b) if so, what are the findings thereof; and

(c) whether ft i$_s$ a fact that a large number of The labour force is returning and is* remaining unemployed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER); (a) A survey wa$_s$ conducted during 1987 by the State Government on the utilization pattern of Gulf remittances i$_n$ Kerala.

(b) and (c) The survey indicates $_m$ *an* increasing trend in the number of returning emigrants from Gulf countries. It "has also revealed that nearly 50 pe$_r$ cent of the returnees had no jobs at the time of survey.

Propsal for equity participation of SAIL with Kerala Special Refractories Ltd.

1770. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Central Government had recently received any request from the Kefala Government fb$_r$ equity participation of the Steel Authority of India Limited, with the Kerala Special Refractories, Ltd., Kerala; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAK. WANA); (a) Yes, Sir. Ou$_t$ of the total equity of Rs. 24 crore$_s$ SAIL's participation was sought to the extent of 30%.

(b) It has not been found feasible fo$_r$ SAIL to participate in the equity of Kerala Special Refractories-Limited.

Cotton production

1771. SBPJT T R. BALU:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what had bee$_n$ the area under fcotton cultivation in each State during the last three years;

(b) what had been the production of raw cotton in each State during the last three years; year-wise; and

(c) what i$_s$ th$_e$ area likely to be under cotto$_n$ cultivation and expected production in each State during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGR^{T}CULTURB (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a)